



# Mullen Fire Daily Update

Saturday, September 26, 2020: 9:00 am

## Fire facts

### Location

38 miles west of Laramie, Wyoming

### Fire size today

35,810 acres

Updated acreage will be published when a new measurement is available.

### Fire start date

September 17, 2020

### Cause

Under investigation – Call Laramie Ranger District anonymous tip line 307-745-2392 with information that may aid in the fire investigation.

### Containment

2%

### Resources

426 firefighters total

### Mandatory evacuations

- Foxborough community
- Fox Park to Albany South through the valley to Fox Creek Road, including areas west of Hwy 11.
- Middle Fork Canyon
- Woods Landing Corridor
- Lake Creek community
- Rambler community
- Rob Roy community
- Keystone communities: Keystone proper, lower Keystone, Langford/Ricker, Moore's Gulch, and 507C cabin grouping

### Pre-evacuation notice

- Properties in the Forest closure
- Private land along Fox Creek Road
- Albany and Centennial, extending northwest along Highway 130
- All areas west of Highway 11 in the valley.

### Management

Rocky Mountain Type 2 Blue Team

## Virtual Community Q&A TODAY at 5 p.m.

The meeting will be livestreamed on the Mullen Fire Information page (<https://www.facebook.com/MullenFire>)

## Summary

Powerful and gusty west winds caused extreme fire behavior through the night. This morning, the fire front is approximately one mile north of Fox Park, extending east to just south of Lake Owen. The subdivisions of Keystone and Lake Creek were impacted by the fire. Firefighters were able to access areas after the flaming front passed and continued to perform structure protection actions. Albany County officials worked closely with firefighters to evacuate several communities. Residents near the fire area should remain alert to rapidly changing conditions. Damage assessment information is not yet available.

Today, firefighters are continuing an aggressive effort to protect structures in areas where the fire has already passed. Structure protection firefighters will work ahead of the fire in the areas of Albany, Rambler, Rob Roy, Woods Landing, Fox Park, and Foxborough. Firefighters will also be in the Centennial area preparing structures in the event of a wind shift. Aerial support will continue as weather conditions allow.

## Fire Conditions and Weather

The strong wind event will continue today. Strong northwest winds, gusting to 50 mph, are expected to cause active fire behavior and fire spread. Humidity will be higher today with scattered cloud cover and lower temperatures. However, the strong northwest wind will override any benefits from the humidity and cloud cover. Fire activity will remain extreme.

## Closures and Restrictions

At this time, three Wyoming state roads are closed south of Wyoming 11 between Wyoming 130 and Albany. Wyoming 10 is closed north of Woods Landing to the Colorado border. Wyoming 230 (CO 127) is closed starting at the WY/CO border north to Woods Landing in Albany County, WY. Wyoming 230 between Encampment and the CO state line (CO 125) remains open. There is no estimate on when these roads might reopen.

### Forest Closure

A Forest area closure is in effect surrounding the Mullen Fire. For details, see the new Forest Closure Order ([https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/photos/WYMBF/2020-09-17-1921-Savage-Run-Fire/related\\_files/pict20200825-175313-0.pdf](https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/photos/WYMBF/2020-09-17-1921-Savage-Run-Fire/related_files/pict20200825-175313-0.pdf)) and the new Forest Closure Area Map ([https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/photos/WYMBF/2020-09-17-1921-Savage-Run-Fire/related\\_files/pict20200825-175227-0.pdf](https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/photos/WYMBF/2020-09-17-1921-Savage-Run-Fire/related_files/pict20200825-175227-0.pdf))

### Stage 2 Fire Restrictions are in effect for the fire area

- Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin National Grassland: [https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE\\_DOCUMENTS/fseprd786902.pdf](https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd786902.pdf)
- Albany County: <https://www.co.albany.wy.us/247/Fire-Restrictions>

Fire information: Hours 8am – 9pm Public Line: 307-745-2378

Media Line: 307-461-9456

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